

City Council Room
Austin Texas May 10th 1873

Called meeting -
His Honor J. B. Wheeler called the Council to order,
the roll was called

Present: Ald. S. C. Sprad, & B. B. Brummond,

" " A. Scholz, & J. W. Boardman

" " J. W. Robinson & J. W. Hanning,

" " Wm. W. Weygenhoff

Absent: " Geo. A. Spurgeon

His Honor the Mayor stated that the meeting was called for the purpose to take action upon the matter concerning a lease to the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company, of South half of Block 59 for building and improving a Rail Road Depot.

Committee to whom was referred the petition of the above mentioned Railway Company made a majority report of two in favor, Ald. Sprad, and Brummond, Ald. J. W. Hanning made a minority report, he being adverse to granting said petition.

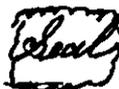
Ald. Sprad introduced the following Lease and Resolution

State of Texas }
County of Travis } Know, all men by these presents, that this agreement entered into by and between the City of Austin acting through J. B. Wheeler the Mayor thereof as party of the first part, and the Houston and Texas Central Railway Company as party of the second part: Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Dollars to the party of the first part paid by the party of the second part, and the advantages accruing to the said City of Austin by the building of the Railroad of the party of the second part to said City, and for the purpose of carrying out in full effect, a certain resolution of the City Council of said City of Austin, adopted on the 11th day of September A. D. 1868, the said party of the first part hereby leases, demises, and lets to the said party of the second part for the term of Ninety nine years from the date hereof all that certain lot or parcel of land situated in the City of Austin in said State, and County known as the South half of Block No. 59 as shown on the map of said City on file in the General Land Office of the State of Texas, to be used by the said party of the second part as a Passenger Depot or Station House and for

such other purposes not inconsistent with its use as such Depot, as said Company may see proper to have and to hold peaceable occupancy and possession thereof for the use and purposes aforesaid for the said term of Ninety nine years from the date hereof, provided, the said party of the second part or its successors, shall within six Months from the date hereof erect up a Depot building suitable for the business and the stores, and shall continue to use and occupy said premises for the purpose aforesaid and this lease to terminate, whenever they cease to use and occupy the same for such Depot purposes.

It is understood that the acceptance of this lease is not to infringe any right that the said Company may have heretofore acquired from the State, by virtue of the terms of its Charter or from the said City of Austin by virtue of any previous Contract.

In witness whereof, our hands, and seals using rolls for seals this 10th day of May A. D. 1873.

J. B. Wheeler 
Mayor of the City of Austin



Resolved by the City Council of the City of Austin, that the Mayor of said City, be, and he is hereby authorized and required to enter into and sign the foregoing contract with the Houston and Texas Central Rail Road Company for, and in behalf of said City, and that said City shall be bound by this contract, when so signed and delivered.

On motion of Ald. Sneed the rules were suspended, the resolution read second time, on motion of Ald. Sneed the rules were further suspended, the resolution read third time, on motion of Ald. Bremond the yeas, and nays being called the resolution passed by the following vote.

Yeas: Ald. Sneed, Bremond, Scholz,
" " Robinson, Brueggelhoff, Blandman,
" " Hanning

Bills of O. H. Milligan, A. H. Cook, G. H. Howell, as judges of Election held May 5th 1873 for Alderman of third ward and C. P. Phillips as clerk for same, in total amounting to \$2000 were presented, and ordered warrants to be issued for same.

On motion the Council adjourned.